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16	JOSEPH DOE FR 429, an individual) Case Number:
17	Plaintiff,) Case Number: JCCP 5108
18	vs.	COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES:
19 20	DOE 1, a religious corporation sole, DOE 2, a religious entity form unknown, and	1. NEGLIGENCE—NEGLIGENT SUPERVISION, NEGLIGENT RETENTION
212223242526	DOE 3 through DOE 100, inclusive Defendants.	2. NEGLIGENCE—NEGLIGENT SUPERVISION OF PLAINTIFF- THEN A MINOR Filed Pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 340.1, as amended by Assembly Bill 218 DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL
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COMPLAINT AND DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL - 1 -

COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES

Based upon information and belief available to Plaintiff JOSEPH DOE FR 429 ("Plaintiff") at the time of the filing of this Complaint, Plaintiff alleges as follows against Defendants DOE 1, a religious corporation sole; DOE 2, a religious entity of form unknown; and DOE 3 through DOE 100 (collectively, "Defendants"):

PARTIES

- 1. Plaintiff is a natural person who was the resident of the County of Fresno, State of California, at all relevant times mentioned herein. The name utilized by Plaintiff in this Complaint is a fictitious name used to protect Plaintiff's privacy as a victim of childhood sexual assault, as defined by section 340.1 of the Code of Civil Procedure. Plaintiff was born in 1978. Plaintiff was a minor throughout the period of childhood sexual assault alleged herein. Plaintiff brings this Complaint pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 340.1, as amended by Assembly Bill 218, for damages suffered as a result of childhood sexual assault. In addition, Plaintiff's claim for damages suffered as a result of childhood sexual assault is timely filed as it is filed within three years of January 1, 2020.
- 2. This is an action for damages suffered as a result of childhood sexual assault, as alleged against DEFENDANTS. Pursuant to rulings by the Trial Coordination Judge, this case is appropriate to be designated as a complex case, is appropriate for inclusion in the Judicial Council Coordinated Proceeding Number 5108, *In Re Northern California Clergy Cases* ("JCCP 5108") and is appropriately filed in The Superior Court of California, County of Alameda. Plaintiff(s) will seek to Add-On this case to JCCP 5108, before the Honorable Winifred Y. Smith, in Department 21 of The Superior Court of California, County of Alameda.
- 3. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that at all times material hereto, Defendant DOE 1 was and continues to be a corporation sole, which includes but is not limited to civil corporations, decision making entities, officials, and employees, authorized to conduct business, incorporated in, and conducting business in the State of California, with its principal place of business in Fresno County, California. Defendant DOE 1 purposely conducts or

- 4. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that at all times material hereto, Defendant DOE 1 employed PERPETRATOR as an agent and had the ability to control and supervise PERPETRATOR's activities. Defendant DOE 1 was an entity that supervised its employees and agents, including its priests, teachers, and administrators, who supervised minor children, including those on its premises and in its programs. At all times material hereto, PERPETRATOR was under the direct supervision, employ, and control of Defendant DOE 1, a religious corporation sole. PERPETRATOR physically perpetrated acts of childhood sexual assault upon Plaintiff when Plaintiff was a minor.
- 5. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that at all times material hereto, Defendant DOE 2 was and is a religious institution organized under the laws of the State of California as a religious entity of form unknown, which includes but is not limited to civil corporations, decision making entities, officials and employees authorized to conduct business and conducting business in the State of California, with its principle place of business in Firebaugh, California. At all times material, Defendant DOE 2 was and continues to be under the direct authority, control and province of Defendant DOE 1 and the Bishop, DOE 1. DOE 2 includes, but is not limited to, the parish/school corporation and entity. Defendant DOE 2 is responsible for the

funding, staffing, and direction of a Catholic church/school located at 1558 Twelfth Street, Firebaugh, California.

- 6. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that PERPETRATOR was a cleric with DOE 1, DOE 2, and DOE 3 through DOE 100, and was assigned to DOE 2 between approximately 1992 through in or around 1999.
- 7. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that the true names and capacities, whether individual, corporate, associate or otherwise, of Defendants named herein as Defendant DOE 3 through DOE 100, inclusive, are currently unknown to Plaintiff, who therefore sues DOE Defendants by such fictitious names, and who will amend the Complaint to show their true names and capacities when such names have been ascertained. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that DOE Defendants are legally responsible in some manner for the events, happenings, and/or tortious and unlawful conduct that caused the injuries and damages alleged in this Complaint.
- 8. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that at all times material hereto there existed a unity of interest and ownership among Defendants and each of them, such that an individuality and separateness between Defendants ceased to exist. Defendants were the successors-in-interests and/or alter egos of the other Defendants in that they purchased, controlled, dominated and operated each other without any separate identity, observation of formalities, or any other separateness. To continue to maintain the façade of a separate and individual existence between and among Defendants, and each of them, would serve to perpetuate a fraud and injustice.
- 9. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that at all times material hereto, Defendants were the agents, representatives and/or employees of each and every other Defendant and were acting within the course and scope of said alternative personality, capacity, identity, agency, representation and/or employment and were within the scope of their authority, whether actual or apparent. At all times material hereto, Defendants were the trustees, partners, servants, joint venturers, shareholders, co-conspirators, contractors, and/or employees of each and every other Defendant, and the acts and omissions alleged herein were done by them, acting

individually, through such capacity and within the scope of their authority and with the permission and consent of each and every other Defendant, and that such conduct was thereafter ratified by each Defendant, and that each Defendant is jointly and severally liable to Plaintiff.

10. While religious belief is absolutely protected, conduct is not protected and the actions herein below were illegal secular motivated conduct that is regulated by the law.

FACTS

- 11. Plaintiff is informed and believes that PERPETRATOR was ordained a Roman Catholic priest in 1987. PERPETRATOR was employed by Defendant DOE 1. PERPETRATOR remained under the direct supervision, employ, and control of Defendants. Defendant DOE 1 and Defendant DOE 2 placed PERPETRATOR in positions where he had access to and worked with children as an integral part of his work.
- 12. Defendant DOE 1 also assigned PERPETRATOR to St. Francis Assisi, Bakersfield (approximately July 1, 1999 to April 21, 2021); DOE 2 (approximately July 1, 1992 to June 30, 1999); St. Francis of Assisi Mission, Mojave (approximately October 17, 1991 to June 30, 1992); St. Francis Assisi, Bakersfield (approximately June 22, 1989 to October 16, 1991); and Our Lady of Mercy, St. Patrick's and Sacred Heart, Merced (approximately September 12, 1987 to June 21, 1989)
 - 13. PERPETRATOR is known to have sexually assaulted children, other than Plaintiff.
- 14. In 1962, the Vatican in Rome issued a Papal Instruction binding upon all Bishops throughout the world, including the Bishop of DOE 1. The instruction was binding upon the Bishop of DOE 1 until 2001. The instruction directed that allegations and reports of childhood sexual abuse and or childhood sexual assault by priests were required to be kept secret and not disclosed either to civil authorities such as law enforcement, to co-employees or supervisors of parish priests, or to parishioners generally.
- 15. Defendant DOE 1's procedure requires Bishops to keep *subsecreto* files also known as confidential files. These files are not to be made public.
 - 16. Because of problems of sexual misconduct (including childhood sexual abuse and or

- 17. Sexual abuse by Catholic clergy has been a reality in the Catholic Church for centuries but has remained covered by deep secrecy. This secrecy is rooted in the official policies of the Catholic Church which are applicable to Defendants and in fact are part of the practices of each Defendant, including Defendant DOE 1. Sexual abuse of minors by Catholic clergy and religious leaders became publicly known in the mid-1980s as a result of media coverage of a case in Lafayette, Louisiana. Since that time, the media has continued to expose cases of clergy sexual abuse throughout the United States. In spite of these revelations as well as the many criminal and civil litigations the Church has been involved in as a result of clergy sexual abuse of minors, the bishops and other Church leaders continued to pursue a policy of secrecy.
- 18. All of the procedures required in the so-called "Dallas Charter" have been previously mandated by Defendant DOE 1 and in the 1922 and 1962 documents, but were consistently ignored by Catholic Bishops. In place of the required processes, which would have kept a written record of cases of clergy sexual abuse, the Bishops applied a policy of clandestine transfer of accused priests from one local or diocesan assignment to another. The receiving parishioners and often the receiving pastors were not informed of any accusations of sexual abuse of minors.
- 19. Refusal to disclose sexually abusive clerics to parishioners and even fellow clerics has been tactic utilized by Defendants to maintain secrecy. Another has been to use various forms of

persuasion on victims or their families to convince them to remain silent about incidents of sexual abuse. These forms of persuasion have included methods that have ranged from sympathetic attempts to gain silence to direct intimidation to various kinds of threats. In so doing, the clergy involved, from Bishops to priests, have relied on their power to overwhelm victims and their families.

- 20. Plaintiff was sexually assaulted by PERPETRATOR.
- 21. Plaintiff was raised in a devoutly Catholic family, was baptized, confirmed, and served as an altar server and regularly celebrated weekly mass and received the sacraments through their Church. When Plaintiff was a child, Plaintiff attended DOE 2, which was owned, operated, controlled and run by Defendant DOE 1 and Defendant DOE 2. Plaintiff came in contact with PERPETRATOR as an agent and representative of Defendants, and at DOE 2.
- 22. Plaintiff participated in youth activities and church activities at DOE 2. Plaintiff was educated and taught the theology and tenets of the Roman Catholic Church on matters of faith, morals and religious doctrine. Plaintiff therefore developed great admiration, trust, reverence, respect for, and obedience to the Roman Catholic Church and clergy who occupied positions of great influence and persuasion as holy men and authority figures. Plaintiff was encouraged to trust, respect, and obey PERPETRATOR by and through Defendant DOE 1 and Defendant DOE 2.
- 23. As a minor, Plaintiff regularly attended mass and engaged in confession with priests employed by Defendant DOE 1. Accordingly, a special relationship was formed between Plaintiff, then a minor, and Defendants. As delineated in <u>California Evidence Code</u> sections 1030-1034, codifying the clergymen-penitent privilege, the fact that a special relationship between Defendants and parishioners not only exists, but extents to non-spiritual matters.
- 24. During and through these activities, Plaintiff, as a minor and vulnerable child, was dependent on Defendants and their agents, including PERPETRATOR. Plaintiff was under the custody and control of Defendant DOE 1 and Defendant DOE 2, who had control over Plaintiff's welfare and who were responsible for running DOE 2 with a duty to protect Plaintiff because he was in a special relationship with Defendants. Defendant DOE 1 and Defendant DOE 2 had

accepted the entrustment of Plaintiff and had responsibility for Plaintiff and authority over Plaintiff.

- 25. In approximately 1993 and through approximately 1995, when Plaintiff was approximately 15, 16, and 17 years old and a member of Defendant DOE 1 and Defendant DOE 2, PERPETRATOR sexually assaulted Plaintiff, a minor. While performing his duties as a priest, and for the purpose of furthering the duties required in that role, PERPETRATOR befriended Plaintiff and gained Plaintiff's trust and confidence as a spiritual guide, authority figure, and trustworthy mentor.
- 26. Seeing PERPETRATOR as a trustworthy mentor, Plaintiff was conditioned to comply with PERPETRATOR's direction and to respect him as a person of authority in spiritual, ethical, and educational matters. PERPETRATOR's conduct constituted "grooming" of Plaintiff and culminated in his childhood sexual assault and abuse of Plaintiff.
- 27. PERPETRATOR utilized Defendants' facilities and institutions to gain access to Plaintiff. At all relevant times, PERPETRATOR was referred to as "Father" and wore the priest collar and attire. This signified to people that PERPETRATOR was in good standing and authorized by Defendants to act as a priest and agent of the Church. It was by virtue of PERPETRATOR's position as a priest of Defendants that he met and groomed Plaintiff, established trust with Plaintiff, and manipulated that trust in order to sexually assault and abuse Plaintiff.
- 28. PERPETRATOR sexually molested, assaulted and abused Plaintiff on the premises owned, operated, and controlled by Defendant DOE 1 and Defendant DOE 2, including in the church and rectory at DOE 2. PERPETRATOR's sexual assault of Plaintiff included, but was not limited to childhood sexual assault as defined by <u>Code of Civil Procedure</u> section 340.1.
- 29. PERPETRATOR sexually abused Plaintiff for sexual gratification and was, at least in part, based on the Plaintiff's gender and age, who was a minor child at the time.
- 30. PERPETRATOR's conduct was "childhood sexual assault" as defined by the <u>Code</u> of <u>Civil Procedure</u> section 340.1(d) as amended by Assembly Bill 218, including any act committed against Plaintiff that occurred when the Plaintiff was under the age of 18 years and that would have been proscribed by Section 266j of the <u>Penal Code</u>; Section 285 of the <u>Penal Code</u>; paragraph (1)

or (2) of subdivision (b), or of subdivision (c), of Section 286 of the <u>Penal Code</u>; subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 288 of the <u>Penal Code</u>; paragraph (1) or (2) of subdivision (b), or of subdivision (c), of Section 287 or of former Section 288a of the <u>Penal Code</u>; subdivision (h), (i), or (j) of Section 289 of the <u>Penal Code</u>; any sexual conduct as defined in paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 311.4 of the <u>Penal Code</u>; Section 647.6 of the <u>Penal Code</u>; and/or any prior laws of this state of similar effect at the time the act was committed.

- 31. Plaintiff did not, and was unable to give free or voluntary consent to the sexual acts perpetrated against Plaintiff by PERPETRATOR, as Plaintiff was a minor child at the time of the childhood sexual assault alleged herein.
- 32. By using his position within Defendants' institutions, Defendant DOE 1, Defendant DOE 2, DOE Defendants and PERPETRATOR, demanded and required that Plaintiff respect PERPETRATOR in his position as a priest, teacher, spiritual advisor, confidant, counselor and mentor for Defendants.
- 33. As a direct and proximate result of PERPETRATOR's childhood sexual assault against Plaintiff, which was enabled and facilitated by Defendants, and each of them, Plaintiff has suffered and will continue to suffer physical, psychological, emotional and economic harm in a sum to be proven at the time of trial.
- 34. As a direct and proximate result of Plaintiff's sexual assault by PERPETRATOR, which was enabled and facilitated by Defendants, and each of them, Plaintiff has suffered economic injury, all to Plaintiff's general, special and consequential damage in an amount to be proven at trial, but in no event less than the minimum jurisdictional amount of this Court.
- 35. PERPETRATOR at all times material hereto was an employee, agent and/or representative of Defendant DOE 1, Defendant DOE 2, and DOE Defendants. PERPETRATOR engaged in unlawful sexual conduct with Plaintiff when Plaintiff was a minor. Defendants are vicariously liable for the childhood sexual assault committed by PERPETRATOR, including but not limited to through the theories of *respondeat superior*, ratification, and authorization.

PERPETRATOR's childhood sexual misconduct and assault with Plaintiff occurred while he was

functioning on behalf of Defendants, and was made possible because of that agency.

- 36. Under Church protocol and practice, in return for the vow of obedience by a priest, the Bishop accepts responsibility for the care and welfare of a priest as well as to supervise the priest's ministry. A diocesan priest may not engage in any form of public ministry without the permission of his Bishop. By allowing a priest to engage in public ministry, such as by allowing him to wear his religious/priestly attire and hold himself out as a priest, the Bishop is certifying that the priest is in good standing and sexually safe.
- Plaintiff by (1) failing to discharge, dismiss, discipline, suspend and/or supervise PERPETRATOR or other priests known by Defendants to have sexually assaulted children, or to have been accused of sexually abusing children, (2) actively shielding PERPETRATOR from responsibility for his childhood sexual assault of Plaintiff and other minors, (3) failing to acknowledge the existence of complaints against PERPETRATOR of childhood sexual assault on Plaintiff and minors, (4) failing to report such complaints to civil or criminal authorities, (5) providing financial support to PERPETRATOR during and/or after the childhood sexual assault of Plaintiff and/or other minors, and (6) failing to take steps to timely remove PERPETRATOR from the priesthood so as to permanently prevent him from using his authority bestowed upon him by Defendants to gain access to minors and sexually assault them.
- 38. By taking the above wrongful, negligent, and/or intentional actions and/or failing to act after having knowledge or having reason to know of such childhood sexual assault of Plaintiff and/or other minors, Defendants ratified and authorized PERPETRATOR's sexual assault of minors. By ratifying PERPETRATOR's sexual assault of minors, Defendants in legal effect committed and caused the childhood sexual assault of Plaintiff when Plaintiff was a minor.
- 39. Defendants failed to uphold numerous mandatory duties imposed upon them by state and federal law, and by written policies and procedures applicable to Defendants.
- 40. As a minor at DOE 2, which was owned, operated, and controlled by the Defendants, and where PERPETRATOR was employed, retained, and worked, Plaintiff was under Defendants'

direct supervision, care, and control. This constituted a special relationship, fiduciary relationship and/or special care relationship between Plaintiff and Defendants. Additionally, as a minor child under the custody, care, and control of Defendants, Defendants stood *in loco parentis* with respect to Plaintiff while Plaintiff was at DOE 2. As the responsible parties and/or employers controlling PERPETRATOR, Defendants were also in a special relationship with Plaintiff, and owed special duties to Plaintiff.

- 41. Defendants knew or had reason to know, or were otherwise on notice, that PERPETRATOR had engaged in unlawful sexual-related conduct with minors in the past, and/or was continuing to engage in such conduct with Plaintiff, and failed to take reasonable steps, and to implement reasonable safeguards, to avoid acts of unlawful sexual conduct in the future by PERPETRATOR.
- 42. Defendants had a duty to disclose these facts to Plaintiff, Plaintiff's parents and/or guardians and others, but instead Defendants negligently and/or intentionally suppressed, concealed, or failed to disclose this information for the express purposes of maintaining PERPETRATOR's image as an ethical, wholesome, safe, and trusted spiritual leader at and within the institution run by the Defendants. The duty to disclose this information arose from the special, trusting, confidential, fiduciary, and *in loco parentis* relationship between Defendants and Plaintiff.
- 43. Instead, Defendants ignored and/or concealed the childhood sexual assault of Plaintiff and others by PERPETRATOR and continued to allow numerous children, including the Plaintiff, to be in private, secluded areas with PERPETRATOR, despite knowledge of or reasons to suspect PERPETRATOR's prior sexually abusive acts toward minors.
- 44. Plaintiff is informed, believes and thereon alleges that Defendants were given notice of inappropriate conduct committed by PERPETRATOR.
- 45. Defendants failed to report and concealed from Plaintiff, Plaintiff's parents and/or guardians, other minor children in their care and their parents, law enforcement authorities, civil authorities, and others, the true facts and relevant information necessary to bring PERPETRATOR to justice for the sexual misconduct he committed with minors and to protect those entrusted in their

- 46. During the period of childhood sexual assault of Plaintiff at the hands of PERPETRATOR, Defendants had the authority and ability to stop PERPETRATOR's childhood sexual assault of Plaintiff, but negligently and/or willfully failed to do so, thereby allowing the childhood sexual assault to occur and continue unabated. This failure was part of Defendants' plan and arrangement to conceal wrongful acts, to avoid or interfere with detections, to block public disclosure, to avoid scandal, to avoid disclosure of their tolerance of childhood sexual assault, to preserve a false appearance of propriety, and to avoid investigation and action by public authority, including law enforcement.
- 47. At the time of PERPETRATOR's childhood sexual assault of Plaintiff, as defined by Code of Civil Procedure section 340.1(d), Defendants knew or had reason to know, or were otherwise on notice of prior acts of childhood sexual assault committed by PERPETRATOR, and despite such knowledge and/or notice, failed to take reasonable steps or implement reasonable safeguards to protect Plaintiff from childhood sexual assault. These acts and/or omissions on the part of Defendants were committed in spite of their ability to exercise control over the personal and business affairs of PERPETRATOR. Accordingly, Defendants are liable for PERPETRATOR's childhood sexual abuse of Plaintiff in that their wrongful, intentional and/or negligent acts were a legal cause of Plaintiff's childhood sexual assault.

VENUE

48. This is an action for damages suffered as a result of childhood sexual assault, as alleged against DEFENDANTS. Pursuant to rulings by the Trial Coordination Judge, this case is appropriate to be designated as a complex case, is appropriate for inclusion in the Judicial Council Coordinated Proceeding Number 5108, *In Re Northern California Clergy Cases* ("JCCP 5108") and is appropriately filed in The Superior Court of California, County of Alameda. Plaintiff(s) will seek to Add-On this case to JCCP 5108, before the Honorable Winifred Y. Smith, in Department 21 of The Superior Court of California, County of Alameda.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION NEGLIGENCE (As to ALL Defendants)

- 49. Plaintiff repeats, re-alleges and incorporates herein by reference all consistent paragraphs of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 50. Defendants' conduct, actions, and omissions served to create an environment in which PERPETRATOR was afforded years of continuous secluded access to minor children, including Plaintiff, who was a minor at the time Plaintiff was sexually abused, molested and assaulted by PERPETRATOR.
- 51. At the time PERPETRATOR performed the acts alleged herein it was or should have been reasonably foreseeable to Defendants that by continuously exposing and making Plaintiff available to PERPETRATOR, Defendants were placing Plaintiff at grave risk of being sexually assaulted by PERPETRATOR. By knowingly subjecting Plaintiff to this foreseeable danger, Defendants were duty-bound to take reasonable steps and implement reasonable safeguards to protect Plaintiff from PERPETRATOR. Further, at all times alleged herein, Defendants possessed a sufficient degree of control over PERPETRATOR's personal and business affairs so as to keep PERPETRATOR away from Plaintiff and other minor children, and prevent any childhood sexual assault against them. Defendants, however, failed to take reasonable steps or implement reasonable safeguards for Plaintiff's protection.
- 52. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' acts and omissions Plaintiff has suffered and will continue to suffer physical, psychological, emotional and economic harm in a sum to be proven at the time of trial.

NEGLIGENT SUPERVISION OF PERPETRATOR

- 53. Defendants owed Plaintiff a duty to provide reasonable supervision over PERPETRATOR, to use reasonable care in investigating PERPETRATOR's background, and to provide adequate warning to the Plaintiff, and others, of PERPETRATOR's dangerous propensities.
- 54. Defendants, by and through their respective agents, servants and employees, knew or had reason to know of PERPETRATOR's dangerous and exploitive propensities. Despite such

knowledge, Defendants negligently failed to supervise PERPETRATOR, a supervisor of minor children with the propensity and ability to commit wrongful acts against Plaintiff. Defendants failed to provide reasonable supervisions of PERPETRATOR, failed to use reasonable care in investigating PERPETRATOR, and failed to provide adequate warning to Plaintiff and others of PERPETRATOR's dangerous propensities and unfitness. Defendants further failed to take reasonable measures to prevent the childhood sexual assault, molestation and harassment of minor children, including Plaintiff.

- 55. As institutions entrusted with the care of minors, where staff, employees, agents, and management, such as PERPETRATOR, were placed in contact with minor children, Defendants expressly and implicitly represented that these individuals, including PERPETRATOR, were not a threat to children and others who would fall under PERPETRATOR's influence, control, direction, and guidance.
- 56. Defendants were aware or had reason to have been aware of how vulnerable children were to sexual harassment, molestation and assault by mentors, advisors, teachers, counselor and other persons of authority within Defendants.
- 57. Defendants breached their duty to Plaintiff by, *inter alia*, failing to adequately monitor and supervise PERPETRATOR and failing to stop PERPETRATOR from committing wrongful sexual acts with minors, including Plaintiff. Plaintiff is informed and believes that employees, staff and agents of Defendants knew and/or suspected the assault was occurring at the time and failed to investigate the matter further.
- 58. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' acts and omissions, Plaintiff has suffered and will continue to suffer physical, psychological, emotional and economic harm in a sum to be proven at the time of trial.

NEGLIGENT RETENTION OF PERPETRATOR

59. Defendants owed Plaintiff a duty not to retain PERPETRATOR given his pedophile propensities, which Defendants knew or had reason to know had they engaged in a meaningful and adequate investigation of his background.

- 60. As institutions entrusted with the care of minors, where staff, employees, agents and management, such as PERPETRATOR were placed in contact with minors, Defendants expressly and implicitly represented that these individuals, including PERPETRATOR, were not a sexual threat to children and others who would fall under PERPETRATOR's influence, control, direction and guidance.
- 61. Defendants knew or had reason to know, suspected or otherwise been on notice of PERPETRATOR's misconduct.
- 62. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' acts and omissions Plaintiff has suffered and will continue to suffer physical, psychological, emotional and economic harm in a sum to be proven at the time of trial.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION NEGLIGENCE (As to ALL Defendants)

NEGLIGENT SUPERVISION OF PLAINTIFF, THEN A MINOR

- 63. Plaintiff repeats, re-alleges and incorporates herein by reference all consistent paragraphs of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.
- 64. Plaintiff's Second Cause of action is an alternative additional theory of liability as alleged as against Defendants, and each of them.
- 65. Defendants, and each of them, are liable for the acts and omissions of their employees and agents, including PERPETRATOR, acting within the course and scope of their employment and/or agency. At all times herein, Defendants' employees, including PERPETRATOR, were acting within the course and scope of their employment.
- 66. Defendants, and each of them, had a duty to provide supervision of Plaintiff, a minor, and to use reasonable care in supervising Plaintiff, a minor, when Plaintiff was involved in activities sponsored, supervised, organized, directed, and/or operated by Defendants or their agents and employees.
 - 67. Defendants, and each of them, breached their duty of care.
 - 68. Defendants, and each of them, negligently failed to properly and/or adequately

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DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiff hereby demands a trial by jury in this matter.

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